

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT
STAFF ATTORNEYS' OFFICE**

**Staff Attorney*
CL 29-30**

Announcement:	#15-04
Location:	John J. Moakley U.S. Courthouse, Boston, Massachusetts
Starting salary:	CL 29/1 - CL 30/2 (\$72,253 - \$86,293) depending on qualifications and experience
Closing Date:	Open Until Filled (but applications should be filed by December 8, 2014, as selection may occur at that time)
Starting Date:	January 2015 (or possibly slightly earlier or later) *More than one position may be filled by this vacancy announcement.
Term:	F/T Temporary (flexibility for P/T employment may possibly be considered) - <i>The position is a year and a day appointment (contingent upon funding). Renewable may be possible based on performance, budget and the needs of the court.</i>
Responsibilities:	The staff attorneys perform research for the Court of Appeals judges and draft memoranda, opinions, and orders in a wide range of civil and criminal matters.
Qualifications:	Candidates must have a Juris Doctor (JD) degree from an accredited law school; admission to practice before the highest court of a State, Territory, Commonwealth, or federal court of general jurisdiction of the United States; excellent academic credentials; superior analytic, research, oral communication, writing, and editing skills; and at least two (2) years post-law school legal experience (preferably as a judicial law clerk and/or with significant federal law experience).
Benefits:	Due to the nature of the appointment, benefits are limited to paid vacation and sick leave, health benefits, life insurance, and flexible benefits program.
Background Check:	The successful candidate is subject to a background check as a condition of employment.

How to Apply:

Submit the following:

- Cover letter and resume addressing qualifications and relevant experience;
- Law school transcript;
- One self-edited writing sample; and
- Three (3) professional references with names and telephone numbers of persons who may be contacted during the selection process.

Completed application packages should be submitted on or before December 8, 2014, to:

Senior Staff Attorney
Staff Attorneys' Office
John Joseph Moakley U.S. Courthouse
1 Courthouse Way, Suite 5402
Boston, MA 02210

Additional Conditions of Employment:

An applicant must be a United States citizen or permanently eligible to work in the United States.

The Federal Financial Management Reform Act requires direct deposit of federal wages.

All court employees are required to adhere to a Code of Conduct. Successful completion of a six-month probationary period is required. All staff attorneys are "at will" employees and serve at the pleasure of the Court.

The Court reserves the right to modify the conditions of this job announcement or to withdraw the announcement, either of which may occur without prior written or other notice.

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